Maryland SESAC

SPECIAL EDUCATION STATE ADVISORY COMMMITTEE

Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) Division of Special Education/Early Intervention Services 200 W. Baltimore Street, 9th floor, Baltimore, MD 21201 (410) 767-7197 Kelly Meissner, Chair Rhonda Creecy, Co-Chair

Special Education State Advisory Committee General Meeting Minutes

March 17, 2015 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM Johns Hopkins University, Center for Technology in Education

Attendees: Kelly Meisner, Rhonda Creecy, Sarah Wayland, Carol Strooman, Kathy Kaufman,

Dorie Flynn, Rachel London, Aprill Edwards, Yvonne Hu-Cotto

Guest Speakers: Marcella Franczkowski, Gary Richardson, Donna Riley, Glenn Grayman,

Christy Stewart

Staff: Carmen Brown

Welcome/Introductions

Kelly Meissner

Reviews and Approval of Minutes-Add last names of Alice Harriman, Julie Reiley, Jeanne Taylor. Minutes approved by all with amendments.

II. Part B Grant Application Process Gary Richardson and Glen Grayman

IDEA Part B application required each year. Application is posted for public comment on MSDE website. Encourage input. SESAC has submitted comments in support of the Department in the past.

SESAC agreed to provide comment and support in relationship to the DSE/EIS Strategic Plan and to support the Department.

III. Transition and Discussion

Christy Stewart Promise Grant overview and handouts - work with families and youth for children starting at 14. MD DOD is the grantee. WIOA – signed into law July 2014. Regulations are being written. 15% of DORS finding will be directed to pre-employment transition services. Secondary Transition Steering Committee – new steering committee. 5 areas of focus for the year. Their focused items could be brought to SESAC for comment and input. MANSEF, MD School for Deaf, MD School for the Blind, each LSS transition designee.

Question from SESAC re: the addition of a family member on the Steering Committee. Christy will be in touch with Parent's Place to obtain a contact.

DSE/EIS Updates IV.

Marcella Franczkowski

Marcella presented ppt on DSE/EIS Strategic Plan and its updates and focus on results. She engaged in discussion re SESAC and her need for the SESAC to inform her re: movement forward for DSE/EIS and instructional reform, not specifically policy recommendations. Carmen reviewed DSE/EIS's legislative summary

V. SSIP development and discussion

Donna Riley

Donna provided an overview of the process of the SSIP to date, the phases of the process, and why SESAC has been invited to participate in phase 3.

Next General Meeting: May 19, 2015

10:00 AM- 1:00 PM

JHU/CTE, 6740 Alexander Bell Dr

Columbia, MD 21046

Next Executive Team Meeting: April 14, 2015

10:00 AM – 12:00 Noon Parents' Place of Maryland

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